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THEODORE H. CURRY II, FREQUENT MICHIGAN JUDICIAL INSTITUTE SPEAKER, INDUCTED INTO WARREN E. BURGER SOCIETY; CONGRATULATED BY CHIEF JUSTICE CORRIGAN

LANSING, MI, November 7, 2002 – Theodore H. Curry II, a frequent speaker, seminar leader, and program developer for the Michigan Judicial Institute, has been inducted into the Warren E. Burger Society by the National Center for State Courts.

Curry is director of the Graduate School of Labor and Industrial Relations of Michigan State University, one of the nation's largest graduate programs in human resources and labor relations. He has served as a consultant for appellate and trial courts of many states and foreign governments.

The Burger Society honors individuals who have demonstrated the highest commitment to improving the administration of justice through extraordinary contributions of service and support to the National Center for State Courts, headquartered in Williamsburg, Virginia. Society members receive a limited edition print portrait of Warren E. Burger, the late Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, who founded the National Center for State Courts. The portrait is presented by Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist at the Burger Society's annual Recognition Luncheon in Washington, D.C.

In a letter to Curry, Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Maura D. Corrigan congratulated Curry on his induction.

"This honor is very well deserved," Corrigan wrote. "You have contributed greatly to the pursuit of justice, both nationally and here in Michigan. This Court is particularly in your debt for your fine work with the Michigan Judicial Institute."

The Michigan Judicial Institute (MJII) was created by the Michigan Supreme Court in 1977 to provide continuing professional education for judges and court personnel. MJII is a

training division of the State Court Administrative Office, the administrative agency of the Michigan Supreme Court.

In addition to his work with MJJ, Curry is a regular speaker, seminar leader, and program developer for the Justice Management Institute, the National College of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, the National Judicial College, and the Federal Judicial Center. He was appointed an initial member of the senior faculty of the National Center for State Courts' Institute for Court Management. In 1997, he received the Center's Distinguished Service Award. He is a charter member of the Michigan Governor's Labor Management Advisory Committee.

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